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4 D Quantum N-Dilaton Gravity and One-Loop Divergence of Effective Action on Constant Dilaton

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Abstract

We consider 4D quantum gravity with N-dilatons with the most general couplings. Especially, on constant dilaton and arbitrary metric background, we show the structure of the divergent terms. We show the constraint between the couplings necessary to cancel the coefficient of the square of the Wyle tensor. Next we show the N dependence of a non-renormalizable divergent term, and found that it cannot be canceled in the case of $N \geq 1$ with any fine-tuning of the couplings.

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§1. Introduction and Summary

Recently there has been considerable interest in the metric-scalar gravity in four dimensions from various point of view. Our point of view is that such a fundamental theory of quantum gravity is either a string theory or another theory like it. We will not resolve this issue. Furthermore, we do not remove the possibility that quantum gravity is a local field theory with renormalizability. A candidate for a consistent theory of quantized gravity is string theory. A low-energy effective theory of a string below the Plank scale represented by a metric and a dilaton is well known¹⁾. Such an effective action arises in the form of a power-series type of slope parameter (α'); the standard point of view is that the higher orders in such an expansion correspond to higher energies. From this point of view, at a lower energy scale the action for gravity has the form of a lower derivative dilaton action. Since the fundamental theory is not restricted to the string theory, we introduce N-dilations with the most general coupling to metric within two derivatives, such as (1.1). Although in the string theory there is no scalar field having such a coupling, we call our scalar fields dilatons by analogy. The Einstein gravity coupled to scalars is nonrenormalizable as naive power counting, and higher derivative gravity is renormalizable²⁾; however, it is not unitary within a perturbation scheme³⁾. Of course, it is not strange that a useful local field theory of gravity covering all energy regions does not exist. It is important to know whether a renormalizable local field theory of gravity constructed by metric exists or not, and what type of environment would allow its existence. Several studies, starting in seventies, have been performed to calculate the divergence of an effective action of four-dimensional gravity^{4), 5), 6), 7), 9), 10)}. In the pure Einstein action case without a cosmological term, it was originally calculated at the one-loop level by t'Hooft and Veltman⁴⁾. They found that the action is not renormalizable off mass shell, but is finite on mass shell at the one-loop level. Furthermore, although the pure Einstein action with a cosmological constant is renormalizable⁵⁾, if one introduces matter fields the one loop renormalizability is lost, even on mass shell. Recently^{7), 11)} we considered the divergence of the effective action, which is the most general class with less than two derivatives for a scalar and a metric, while explicitly leaving the functions A, B, Λ arbitrary. On an arbitrary back-ground space-time we found models which are finite in the case without a cosmological term, and with it are renormalizable by fine-tuning of functional form of $A(\phi), B(\phi), \Lambda(\phi)$ at the one loop level on mass shell. We have considered that on maximally symmetric background space-time the action (1.1) with $N = 1$. Without any fine-tuning of the coupling functions $A(\phi), B(\phi)$, we have shown that the divergence of the effective action has one term only which proportional to Λ^2 , and the

divergence can be renormalized easily. In the present paper we consider the action:

$$S[g_{\mu\nu}, \phi_i] = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [A(\phi)_{ij} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi_i \partial_\nu \phi_j + B(\phi)R - 2B(\phi)\Lambda(\phi)] \quad i = 1 \cdots N \quad (1.1)$$

This is the most general class with less than two derivative for N scalars and a metric. Since by redefinition of fields $A_{ij} \longrightarrow A\delta_{ij}$ in generic, in this paper we consider $A_{ij} = A\delta_{ij}$ case only.

$$S[g_{\mu\nu}, \phi_i] = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [A(\phi)g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi_i \partial_\nu \phi_i + B(\phi)R - 2B(\phi)\Lambda(\phi)] \quad i = 1 \cdots N^*) \quad (1.2)$$

Our paper is organized as follows. In section 2, we consider the classical analysis of the action (1.1). We show classically the non-equivalence between the class of action (1.1) and the class of the action without the kinetic term of the dilatons in (1.1). In section 3, we calculate the divergence of the effective action with the background field method and the Schwinger-Dewitt method. Especially, on constant dilaton background, we show an explicit calculation, and we get the structure of the divergence. In section 4, we restrict the form of the couplings in order to cancel a non-renormalizable term, and we show N dependence of another non-renormalizable term which cannot be canceled in the case of $N \geq 1$. In section 5, we conclude this paper. We have three Appendixes.

§2. Analysis at the Classical Level

We consider gravity with a general coupling to scalars in which the action is (1.1). In this section we analyze this theory at the classical level.

2.1. Classical Non-Equivalence between Constant and Non-Constant Dilaton Cases

In a previous paper⁷⁾ which treated the $N = 1$ case in (1.1), we have shown the equivalence between an original action and the no kinetic term action. In this subsection, however, we show for $N > 1$ a classical non-equivalence between the original action (1.2) and a model without kinetic term of dilaton ($\partial\phi_i = 0$) in the original action (1.2). First we start with an action without kinetic terms of dilatons:

$$S[\bar{g}_{\mu\nu}, \phi_i] = \int d^4x \sqrt{-\bar{g}} [\mathcal{B}(\phi)\bar{R} - 2\mathcal{B}(\phi)\lambda(\phi)] \quad (2.1)$$

We transform the metric:

$$g_{\mu\nu}^- \longrightarrow g_{\mu\nu} = e^{2\sigma(\phi)} g_{\mu\nu}^- \quad (2.2)$$

^{*)} In this paper we restrict $B \neq 0$ and $A \neq \frac{3}{2} \frac{B_i B_i}{B}$, where we write $X_{i_1 \cdots i_n} := \frac{\partial^n X(\phi)}{\partial \phi_{i_1} \cdots \partial \phi_{i_n}}$, $X_i X_i := \sum_i^N X_i X_i$ for any function $X(\phi)$

where $\sigma(\phi)$, $\mathcal{B}(\phi)$ and $\lambda(\phi)$ are arbitrary functions of ϕ . In a new variable the action becomes:

$$S[g_{\mu\nu}, \phi_i] = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \times \left[6e^{2\sigma(\phi)} \left(\mathcal{B}\sigma_i\sigma_j + \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{B}_i\sigma_j + \sigma_i\mathcal{B}_j) \right) (\nabla\phi_i)(\nabla\phi_j) + \mathcal{B}(\phi)e^{2\sigma(\phi)}R - 2\mathcal{B}(\phi)\lambda(\phi)e^{4\sigma(\phi)} \right] * \quad (2.3)$$

If we can set $\sigma(\phi)$, $\mathcal{B}(\phi)$ and $\lambda(\phi)$ to

$$6e^{2\sigma(\phi)} \left(\mathcal{B}\sigma_i\sigma_j + \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{B}_i\sigma_j + \sigma_i\mathcal{B}_j) \right) = A(\phi)_{ij}, \quad \mathcal{B}(\phi)e^{2\sigma(\phi)} = B(\phi), \quad \frac{\lambda(\phi)}{\mathcal{B}(\phi)} = \frac{\Lambda(\phi)}{B(\phi)} \quad (2.4)$$

for arbitrary functions $A(\phi)_{ij}$, $B(\phi)$ and $\Lambda(\phi)$, then the original action (1.1) and the action (2.1) are equivalent. If $N > 1$ and A_{ij} is diagonal, however, the first equation in (2.4) cannot be satisfied except for $A_{ij} = 0$. This is an essential difference from the $N = 1$ case. Therefore we will analyze the model in the case of $N > 1$.

$$(2.5)$$

2.2. Classical Equations of Motion

The classical equations of motion for $g_{\mu\nu}$ and ϕ_i are

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu} = T_{\mu\nu} \quad (\text{for } g_{\mu\nu}) \quad (2.6)$$

and

$$B_i R - 2(B\Lambda)_i + A_i(\nabla\phi)^2 - 2A_j(\nabla_\mu\phi_j)(\nabla_\nu\phi_i) - 2A(\square\phi_i) = 0 \quad (\text{for } \phi_i), \quad (2.7)$$

where

$$T_{\mu\nu} := \left(\frac{A}{2B}(\nabla\phi)^2 - \frac{B_{ij}}{B}(\nabla\phi_i)(\nabla\phi_j) - \frac{B_i}{B}(\square\phi_i) \right) g_{\mu\nu} + \frac{B_{ij}}{B}(\nabla_\mu\phi_i)(\nabla_\nu\phi_j) - \frac{A}{B}(\nabla_\mu\phi_i)(\nabla_\nu\phi_i) + \frac{B_i}{B}(\nabla_\mu\nabla_\nu\phi_i). \quad (2.8)$$

Especially, we consider special solution with the constant dilaton. In that case, the energy momentum tensor vanishes and the classical action is

$$S_{\partial\phi=0} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [B(\phi)R - 2B(\phi)\Lambda(\phi)]. \quad (2.9)$$

This is same to (2.1) which is the action with no kinetic term of dilaton. The equations of motion are

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad (2.10)$$

$$B_i R - 2(B\Lambda)_i = 0 \quad (2.11)$$

In Appendix A we consider solution classically.

*) We use the convinient notations: $(\nabla\phi_i)(\nabla\phi_j) = g^{\mu\nu}(\partial_\mu\phi_i)(\partial_\nu\phi_j)$ and $(\nabla\phi)^2 = (\nabla\phi_i)(\nabla\phi_i)$

§3. One-loop calculations

3.1. BackGround Field Method

We consider the one-loop divergence of the effective action. First, we start with the background field method¹²⁾. We split the fields into background fields $(g_{\mu\nu}, \phi_i)$ and quantum fields $(h_{\mu\nu}, \varphi_i)$:

$$\phi_i \rightarrow \phi'_i = \phi_i + \varphi_i, \quad g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow g'_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu} \quad (3.1)$$

Although the original action (1.2) and the action (2.1) are not equivalent when $N > 1$ for the reason shown in the previous section, when background dilatons are constant the two classical actions have the same form. Classically the theory of gravity is explained well by Einstein action. Therefore we set the classical background dilaton ϕ_i to be constant while the quantum fluctuation φ_i is allowed to vary. On the other hand we do not restrict the background and quantum metric. Since the action (1.2) has diffeomorphic invariance we have to fix the gauge freedom. We fix the quantum field with the gauge fixing term:

$$S_{gf} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \chi_\mu \frac{\alpha}{2} \chi^\mu \quad (3.2)$$

where *)

$$\chi_\mu = \nabla_\alpha \bar{h}_\mu^\alpha + \beta \nabla_\mu h + \gamma_i \nabla_\mu \varphi_i. \quad (3.3)$$

are functions of the background dilaton.

In order to simplify the differential structure of the bilinear part of the total action $(S + S_{gf} + S_{gh})$, we choose these functions as

$$\alpha = -B, \quad \beta = -\frac{1}{4}, \quad \gamma_i = -\frac{B_i}{B}, \quad (3.4)$$

which induces

$$(S + S_{gf} + S_{gh})|_{\text{bilinear}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (\Phi \hat{H} \Phi^T + c_\mu \hat{H}_{gh} c^\mu), \quad (3.5)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H} &= \hat{K} \square + \hat{L}_\rho \nabla^\rho + \hat{M}, \\ \hat{H}_{gh} &= g^{\mu\alpha} \square + \gamma_i (\nabla^\alpha \phi_i) \nabla^\mu + \gamma_i (\nabla^\mu \nabla^\alpha \phi_i) + R^{\mu\alpha} \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

Here, $\Phi = (\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}, h, \varphi)$ and c_μ stand for ghosts and T stands for transposition.

The components of \hat{H} have the following form:

$$\hat{K} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{B}{4} \delta^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{B}{16} & -\frac{B_j}{4} \\ 0 & -\frac{B_i}{4} & \frac{B_i B_j}{2B} - A \delta_{ij} \end{pmatrix}^{**}) \quad (3.7)$$

*) $h = h_\mu^\mu, \bar{h}_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} h g_{\mu\nu}$

**) $\delta^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} := \frac{1}{2} (g^{\mu\alpha} g^{\nu\beta} + g^{\mu\beta} g^{\nu\alpha})$

$$\hat{L}^\lambda = (\nabla_\tau \phi_k) \times$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \left(\frac{B_k}{4} (\delta^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} g^{\tau\lambda} + 2g^{\nu\beta} (g^{\mu\tau} g^{\alpha\lambda} - g^{\alpha\tau} g^{\mu\lambda})) - \frac{B_k}{4} g^{\mu\tau} g^{\nu\lambda} \right) & \left(\frac{B_{jk}}{2} - A\delta_{jk} \right) g^{\mu\tau} g^{\nu\lambda} \\ \frac{B_k}{4} g^{\alpha\tau} g^{\beta\lambda} & -\frac{B_k}{16} g^{\tau\lambda} \\ \left(A\delta_{ik} - \frac{B_{ik}}{2} \right) g^{\alpha\tau} g^{\beta\lambda} & \left(\frac{B_{ik}}{8} - \frac{A}{4} \delta_{ik} \right) g^{\tau\lambda} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \left(\frac{B_{jk}}{2} - A\delta_{jk} \right) g^{\mu\tau} g^{\nu\lambda} \\ \left(\frac{A}{4} \delta_{jk} - \frac{5}{8} B_{jk} \right) g^{\tau\lambda} \\ \left(\frac{B_i B_j}{2B} - A\delta_{ij} \right)_k (A_i \delta_{jk} - A_j \delta_{ik}) g^{\tau\lambda} \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.8)$$

$$\hat{M} =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \delta^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \left(\frac{B_k}{2} (\square \phi_k) + \left(\frac{B_{kl}}{2} - \frac{A}{4} \delta_{kl} \right) (\nabla \phi_k) (\nabla \phi_l) + \frac{B\Lambda}{2} \right) & 0 & \frac{B_{jk}}{2} (\nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu \phi_k) \\ + g^{\nu\beta} (-B_k (\nabla^\mu \nabla^\alpha \phi_k) + (A\delta_{kl} - B_{kl}) (\nabla^\mu \phi_k) (\nabla^\alpha \phi_l)) & & + \left(\frac{B_{jkl}}{2} - \frac{A_j}{2} \delta_{kl} \right) (\nabla^\mu \phi_k) (\nabla^\nu \phi_l) \\ + \frac{B}{4} (-\delta^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R + 2g^{\nu\beta} R^{\mu\alpha} + 2R^{\mu\alpha\nu\beta}) & & - \frac{B_j}{2} R^{\mu\nu} \\ \\ \frac{B_k}{4} (\nabla^\alpha \nabla^\beta \phi_k) + \frac{B_{kl}}{4} (\nabla^\alpha \phi_k) (\nabla^\beta \phi_l) & -\frac{B\Lambda}{8} & -\frac{3}{8} B_{jk} (\square \phi_k) \\ & & + \left(\frac{A_j}{8} \delta_{kl} - \frac{3}{8} B_{jkl} \right) (\nabla \phi_k) (\nabla \phi_l) \\ & & + \frac{B_j}{8} R - \frac{(B\Lambda)_j}{2} \\ \\ A (\nabla^\alpha \nabla^\beta \phi_i) + \frac{A_i}{2} (\nabla^\alpha \phi) (\nabla^\beta \phi) - \frac{B_i}{2} R^{\alpha\beta} & -\frac{A}{4} (\square \phi_i) & -A_j (\square \phi_i) \\ & + \frac{A_i}{8} (\nabla \phi)^2 & + \frac{A_{ij}}{2} (\nabla \phi)^2 \\ & -\frac{A_k}{4} (\nabla \phi_k) (\nabla \phi_i) & -A_{jk} (\nabla \phi_k) (\nabla \phi_i) \\ & + \frac{B_i}{8} R - \frac{(B\Lambda)_i}{2} & + \frac{B_{ij}}{2} R - (B\Lambda)_{ij} \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.9)$$

The one loop effective action is given by the standard general expression,

$$\Gamma^{1\text{-loop}} = \frac{i}{2} \text{Tr} \ln \hat{H} - i \text{Tr} \ln \hat{H}_{\text{gh}}^*), \quad (3.10)$$

3.2. Schwinger-DeWitt Formula

In this subsection we use the version of the the Schwinger-DeWitt formula for the case of constant N-dilaton. For our minimal gauge, there are no second derivative term except for a d'Alembertian term, for which is the convenient formula of the structure of the divergence of the one loop effective action. In Appendix B we present a short review of the Schwinger-DeWitt formula^{13), 14), 3)}. We apply this formula to our case. From now on we restrict the background dilatons to be constant in order to simplify the calculation. Note that the quantum fluctuation (φ) of ϕ is not restricted to a constant. There are no restriction on the metrics ($g_{\mu\nu}$ and $h_{\mu\nu}$).

After some calculations,

$$\hat{P} = \begin{pmatrix} D_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} + \left(\frac{R}{6} + 2\Lambda \right) \delta_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} & p_{12} R_{\mu\nu} \\ p_{21} R_{\alpha\beta} & p_r R + p_l \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.11)$$

*) Tr includes space time integral, tr does not.

where

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} D_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} = 2R_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} + 2g_{\nu\beta}R_{\mu\alpha} - R\delta_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \\ p_{12} = \left(\frac{4}{B} \quad -\frac{2B_i}{B} \right) , \quad p_{21} = k^{-1} \left(\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ -\frac{B_i}{2} \end{array} \right) \\ p_r = k^{-1} \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & \frac{B_j}{8} \\ \frac{B_i}{8} & \frac{B_{ij}}{2} \end{array} \right) + \left(\begin{array}{cc} \frac{1}{6} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{6} \end{array} \right) , \quad p_l = k^{-1} \left(\begin{array}{cc} -\frac{B\Lambda}{8} & -\frac{(B\Lambda)_i}{2} \\ -\frac{(B\Lambda)_i}{2} & -(B\Lambda)_{ij} \end{array} \right) \\ k = \left(\begin{array}{cc} -\frac{B}{16} & -\frac{B_j}{4} \\ -\frac{B_i}{4} & \frac{B_i B_j}{2B} - A\delta_{ij} \end{array} \right) \end{array} \right. \quad ** \quad (3.12)$$

$$\hat{S}_{\lambda\lambda'} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 2g_{\nu\beta}R_{\mu\alpha\lambda\lambda'} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad (3.13)$$

$$\hat{P}_{\text{gh}} = R_{\mu\alpha} + \frac{R}{6}g_{\mu\alpha} \quad (3.14)$$

$$\hat{S}_{\text{gh};\lambda\lambda'} = R_{\alpha\mu\lambda\lambda'} . \quad (3.15)$$

Therefore, the divergence of the one-loop effective action with constant background dilatons is

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{\text{div}, \partial\phi=0}^{\text{1-loop}} &= \frac{1}{16\pi^2(D-4)} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \times \\ &\left[\frac{N+212}{180} R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} + \left(p_{12}p_{21} - \frac{N+722}{180} \right) R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} \right. \\ &\left. + \left(\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}p_r^2 - \frac{1}{4}p_{12}p_{21} + \frac{85}{72} \right) R^2 + \left(\frac{9}{2}\Lambda + \text{tr}p_r p_l \right) R + \left(\frac{9}{2}\lambda^2 + \frac{1}{2}\text{tr}p_l^2 \right) \right] . \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

For convenience, we write the above expression with the Weyl tensor ($C_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}$) and Gauss-Bonnet topological invariant quantity (G): *).

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{\text{div}, \partial\phi=0}^{\text{1-loop}} &= \frac{1}{16\pi^2(D-4)} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \times \\ &\left[\left(\frac{1}{2}p_{12}p_{21} + \frac{298-N}{360} \right) G + \left(\frac{1}{2}p_{12}p_{21} + \frac{N+42}{120} \right) C_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} C^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \right. \\ &\left. + \left(\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}p_r^2 + \frac{1}{12}p_{12}p_{21} + \frac{17}{72} \right) R^2 + \left(\frac{9}{2}\Lambda + \text{tr}p_r p_l \right) R + \left(\frac{9}{2}\Lambda^2 + \frac{1}{2}\text{tr}p_l^2 \right) \right] . \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

**) k^{-1} exists when $X := 2AB - 3B_i B_i \neq 0$

*) $G \equiv R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} - 4R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} + R^2$, $C_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} C^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \equiv R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} - 2R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{3}R^2$

§4. Removing the Non-Renormalizable Divergent Terms

We consider the divergent term in the equation (3.17). In (3.17) two divergent terms, the scalar curvature term and cosmological term, appear in the classical action, therefore its counter-terms are arranged. However, in (3.17), there are first three terms which cannot be canceled by the counter-terms. First, we fine tune the functions $A(\phi)$ in order to cancel the coefficient of the quadratic term in the Wyle tensor. Since $p_{12}p_{21}$ is calculated as

$$p_{12}p_{21} = -\frac{2B_iB_i}{2AB - 3B_iB_i} \quad (4.1)$$

we set $A(\phi)$ to

$$A(\phi) = \frac{3}{2} \left(1 + \frac{40}{N+42} \right) \frac{B_iB_i}{B} . \quad (4.2)$$

Remark: When N tends to infinity, A is of the same form as the conformal symmetric case¹¹⁾. Since the coefficient of the Gauss-Bonnet term is constant in this case, this term is total derivative. The divergence of the surface term is non-essential and is ignored. Last problem is to consider the divergence of the square of the scalar curvature term. After the fine tuning of the function $A(\phi)$, this term is reduced to

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} p_r^2 + \frac{1}{12} p_{12}p_{21} + \frac{17}{72} \right] R^2 \\ &= \left[\frac{N^2 + 224N + 5344}{3600} - \frac{(N-1)(N+42)}{18(N+82)} \left(\frac{B}{\phi B'} \right) + \frac{(N-1)(N+42)^2}{18(N+82)^2} \left(\frac{B}{\phi B'} \right)^2 \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \frac{(N+42)(N+52)}{7200} \left(\frac{BB''}{B'^2} \right) + \frac{(N+42)^2}{28800} \left(\frac{BB''}{B'^2} \right)^2 \right] R^{2*}) . \quad (4.3) \end{aligned}$$

Fig.1 in Appendix C we show the parameter region where the coefficient of (4.3) vanishes. We found that when $N \geq 1$ the coefficient cannot vanish and this model is non-renormalizable at one loop in our method.

§5. Conclusion and Discussion

We considered the model which includes N -scalar fields and a metric field. First we analyze this model at the classical level. At the classical level and in the case of only $N = 1$, the action (1.2) reduces to some standard form by a conformal transformation. However, in

^{*)} $\phi := (\phi_i \phi_i)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and $B' = \frac{\phi_i B_i}{\phi}$, $B'' = B_{ii} + (1-N) \frac{\phi_i B_i}{\phi^2}$ the primes mean differentiations respect to ϕ if $B(\phi)$ is the function of only ϕ

the case of $N > 1$, there are no such equivalence. Therefore introduction of the dilatons has essential meaning in $N > 1$ case. On the other hand, the standard form (2.1) belongs to the class without the kinetic term of dilatons in the original action (1.2). There is also no equivalence at the quantum level between such models. We restrict, however, background classical field to the constant dilaton since the Einstein gravity explains well the nature at the classical level, while the quantum fluctuations of dilatons is allowed to vary. Of course the classical and quantum metrics do not have any restrictions. A one-loop calculation was carried out for the model (1.2) using the background field method. This calculation is an extension of the case of Ref.⁷⁾. We pulled a bilinear form out of the action (1.2) with a gauge fixing term added, and out of the ghost action. Such a form is sufficient to calculate the effective action at one-loop level. We have fixed a gauge to the minimal one in order to cancel the derivative terms, except for the d'Alembertian terms, we were then able to apply the standard Schwinger-DeWitt method to estimate the divergence of the effective action. We got a one-loop divergent term (3.17). There are naively three non renormalizable terms. However when we fine tune the function $A(\phi)$ there is only one non-renormalizable term which is the R^2 term. We show N and $B(\phi)$ dependences explicitly. And graphically we show the region where the term vanishes. We found that there is no region when $N \geq 1$. Therefore it is impossible to renormalize the divergence of the effective action at the one-loop level on a constant dilaton background. If we consider the metric to be on mass shell, divergent terms may be renormalized, as shown in a previous paper⁹⁾ and an incoming paper¹⁰⁾, which treats the $N = 1$ case. In the case of constant dilaton and $R_{\mu\nu} = \Lambda g_{\mu\nu}$, we think that the last three terms in (4.3) are proportional to Λ^2 with constant of ϕ , as in the above Refs. Then, by multiplicative renormalization of the function form of the Λ , the divergences are renormalized:

$$\Lambda_{\text{bare}} = \mu^{\frac{D-4}{2}} \left(1 - \frac{\text{constant}}{16\pi^2(D-4)} \right) \Lambda_{\text{renormalized}} \quad . \quad (5.1)$$

In this paper we considered the $A_{ij} = A\delta_{ij}$ case. In this case we cannot arrange counter term if $N \geq 1$. However, in our next studies, we have to consider more general case such as that there is no redefinition of fields to allow us to set $A_{ij} = A\delta_{ij}$. One cannot neglect the possibility of a renormalizable model in the class that metric coupled to N -scalars in the most general way. If such a general case, there may be also some models which differ essentially from the standard form (2.1). Such a model also may not be equivalent to the standard form (2.1).

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Appendix A

— *A classical solution on constant dilatons* —

There is a solution for the equations of motion (2.10) and (2.11) when $B \propto \Lambda$. The solution must satisfy

$$R_{\mu\nu} = \Lambda g_{\mu\nu} . \quad (\text{A.1})$$

This includes the maximally symmetric solution and spherically symmetric black hole solution. That is

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} -e^{2\nu} & & & \\ & e^{-2\nu} & & \\ & & r^2 & \\ & & & r^2 \sin \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cdots t \\ \cdots r \\ \cdots \theta \\ \cdots \varphi \end{pmatrix} , \quad (\text{A.2})$$

where

$$e^{2\nu(r)} = (\pm 1 \text{ or } 0) - \frac{G}{r} + \frac{E}{r^2} - \frac{\Lambda}{3} r^2 \quad (\text{G, E are some constant}) \quad (\text{A.3})$$

When $G = E = 0$, this solution is the maximally symmetric case. When $\Lambda = 0$, it is the Reissner-Nordstrom black hole case, when $\Lambda = E = 0$, it is the Schwarzschild black hole case. The divergence of the one-loop effective action on mass shell on background with these solutions is miraculously cancelled in the model^{9), 10)}.

Appendix B

— *Schwinger-DeWitt formula* —

We start by choosing the essentially divergent part from $\text{Tr} \ln \hat{H}$ and $\text{Tr} \ln \hat{H}_{\text{gh}}$:

$$\text{Tr} \ln \hat{H} = \text{Tr} \ln \hat{K} + \text{Tr} \ln \left(\hat{1} \square + \hat{K}^{-1} \hat{L}^\mu \nabla_\mu + \hat{K}^{-1} \hat{M} \right) . \quad (\text{B.1})$$

We define \hat{E} , \hat{D} , \hat{E}_{gh} and \hat{D}_{gh} :

$$\hat{E}^\mu := \hat{K}^{-1} \hat{L}^\mu , \quad \hat{D} := \hat{K}^{-1} \hat{M} , \quad (\text{B.2})$$

$$\hat{E}_{\text{gh}}^\mu := \hat{K}_{\text{gh}}^{-1} \hat{L}_{\text{gh}}^\mu \quad , \quad \hat{D}_{\text{gh}} := \hat{K}_{\text{gh}}^{-1} \hat{M}_{\text{gh}} \quad . \quad (\text{B.3})$$

We use the proper time representation, the expansion with general covariance and the dimensional regularization¹⁴⁾. The formula of the one loop divergence of the effective action in the four dimensional case³⁾ is

$$\begin{aligned} & \Gamma_{\text{div}}^{\text{1-loop}} \\ &= \frac{1}{16\pi^2(D-4)} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} P^2 + \frac{1}{12} \text{tr} S_{\lambda\lambda'} S^{\lambda\lambda'} - 2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} P_{\text{gh}}^2 + \frac{1}{12} \text{tr} S_{\text{gh};\lambda\lambda'} S_{\text{gh}}^{\lambda\lambda'} \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{9+1+N-2 \times 4}{180} \left(R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} - R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} \right) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.4})$$

where

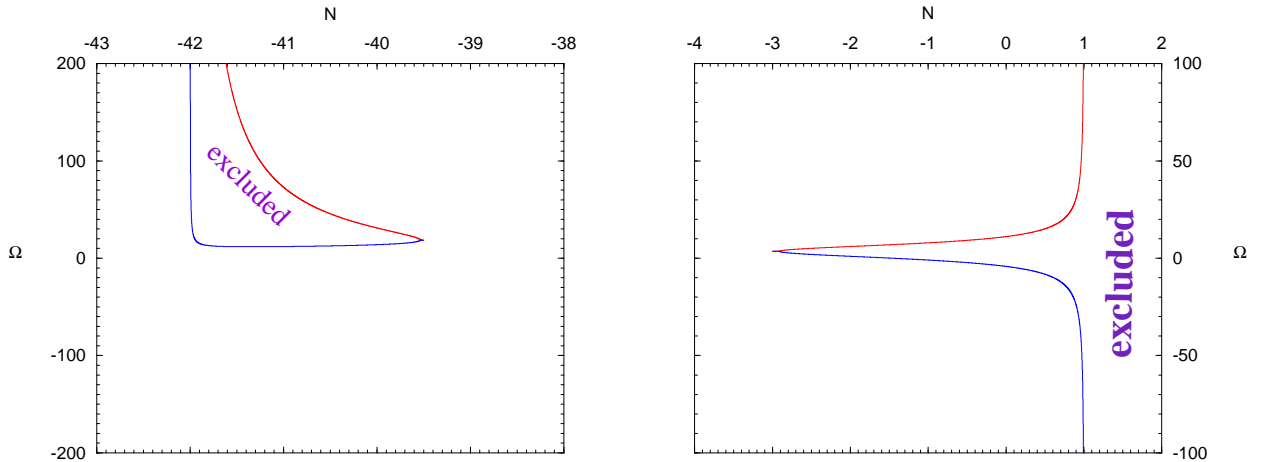
$$\hat{P} = \hat{D} + \frac{\hat{1}}{6} R - \frac{1}{2} \nabla_\lambda \hat{E}^\lambda - \frac{1}{4} \hat{E}^\lambda \hat{E}_\lambda \quad (\text{B.5})$$

$$\hat{S}_{\lambda\lambda'} = [\nabla_\lambda, \nabla_{\lambda'}] \hat{1} + \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_\lambda \hat{E}_{\lambda'} - \nabla_{\lambda'} \hat{E}_\lambda) + \frac{1}{4} (\hat{E}_\lambda \hat{E}_{\lambda'} - \hat{E}_{\lambda'} \hat{E}_\lambda) \quad (\text{B.6})$$

\hat{P}_{gh} and $\hat{S}_{\text{gh};\lambda\lambda'}$ are defined with the same rule.

Appendix C

—— *Figure: one loop renormalizable region* ——



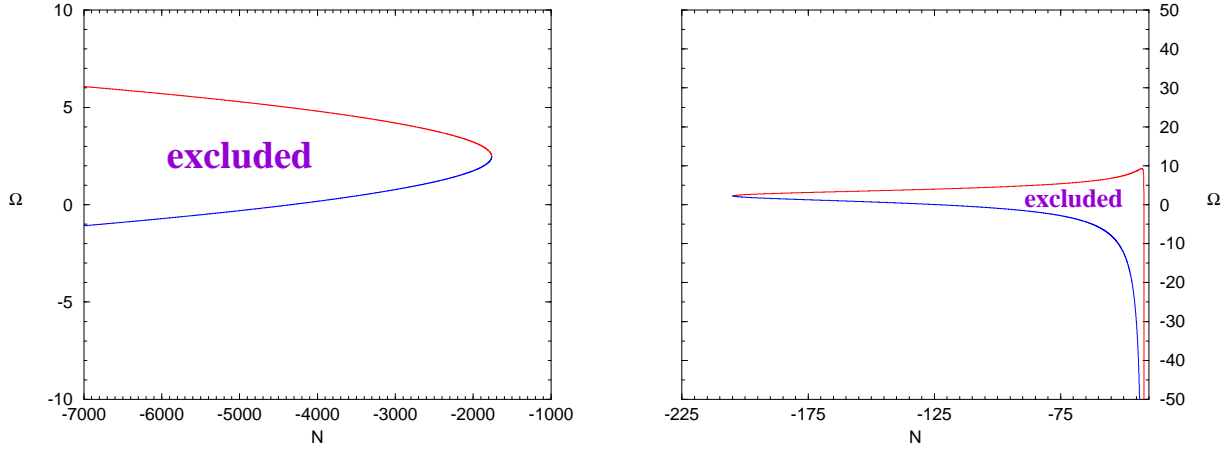


Fig. 1. This is a region the coefficient of the nonrenormalizable term (4.3) vanishes for real m , where $m = m(\phi)$ and $\Omega = \Omega(\phi)$ are defined as $\frac{B}{\phi B'} \equiv \frac{1}{m+2}\Omega$, $\frac{BB''}{B'^2} \equiv \frac{m+1}{m+2}\Omega$. An interesting example is $B = \text{constant } \phi^{m+2}$ (m is constant of ϕ). This is the case in Ref [7]. For an arbitrary value of ϕ , $\Omega = 1$ and some definite value of m , this model has no R^2 term if $N < 0$.

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